

A RESOLUTION

03- R-1473

BY COUNCIL MEMBER NATALYN MOSBY ARCHIBONG

A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST A TRAFFIC STUDY OF COMMERCIAL TRUCK TRAFFIC ON CHESTER AVENUE, FROM FULTON STREET, SE TO WYLIE STREET, SE; TO DIRECT THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING; PROPOSE LEGISLATION ON THIS SUBJECT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Chester Avenue corridor from Fulton Street, SE to Wylie Street, SE has become predominantly residential and should not be subjected to the heavy commercial truck traffic that has been a part of the corridor's history; and

WHEREAS, Chester Avenue from Fulton Street, SE to Wylie Street, SE runs through a strictly residential area, the residents of which endure a steady stream of commercial trucks driving through their neighborhood on a daily basis, including dump trucks, cement trucks and semi-tractor trailers; and

WHEREAS, pedestrians and property owners are unable to utilize Chester Avenue because of the size of the commercial truck traffic, as they fear for their safety; and

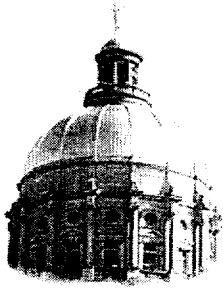
WHEREAS, Georgia Law (O.C.G.A Section 32-6-23) authorizes the governing authorities of municipalities to determine that it is not in the public's best interest to allow the operation of vehicles with a total outside width, including any load thereon, of 102 inches, exclusive of mirrors and accessories attached thereto, on lanes of municipal rights-of-way at least twelve feet wide, after conducting and reviewing safety studies, and conducting a public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA as follows:

SECTION 1: That the Traffic Operations/Transportation Planning Division of the Department of Public Works is authorized and requested to conduct a safety study of the operation of commercial trucks on Chester Avenue from Fulton Street, SE to Wylie Street, SE, and to transmit its findings and recommendations to the Transportation Committee of the City Council.

SECTION 2: The Transportation Committee is hereby authorized to review such findings and recommendations, to conduct a public hearing on the operation of commercial trucks on Chester Avenue from Fulton Street, SE to Wylie Street, SE on behalf of the Council, for the purpose of determining whether such truck traffic is in the best interest of the public, and to propose any legislation deemed by the Committee to be appropriate.

SECTION 3: That all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.



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Unless otherwise provided in this Code section or exempted in Code Section 32-6-25 or so authorized by a permit issued pursuant to Code Section 32-6-28, no vehicle shall exceed a total outside width, including any load thereon, of 102 inches, exclusive of mirrors and accessories attached thereto, when operated on any street, road, or highway.